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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

I am a residential consumer of telecom services from a local supplier who will be impacted by the USTelecom proposed changes to the Communications Act of 1996, specifically Sections 1.53 and 1.54 of the Commission's rules (47 U.S.C. & 160(c)).

My carrier, who uses unbundled copper and inter-city fiber transport elements (UNE) to compete in the residential marketplace, will be severely disadvantaged.

As a residential subscriber, I will be materially affected because my local supplier will not have access to UNE services which allow them to connect customers while building out their fiber networks and to connect city to city with UNE backhaul for those fiber networks.

The changes the USTelecom petition proposes directly affect telecom competition and my access to fast, affordable internet and phone service.

I oppose these changes because of their negative impact on telecom industry competition and my access to affordable internet and phone service from my local supplier.

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